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Subject: 5 pm update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 4:59:29 PM

Good afternoon,

So far, Team Y&R has seen four unique articles and blog posts about CAIR's partnership announcement with the Census Bureau. [The Investigative Project on Terrorism](#), a blog by a national security analyst and pundit, was the first to post about the partnership yesterday evening. Today, we've seen stories from [The Daily Wire](#) and [Jewish News Syndicate](#), as well as a [blog post](#) by Allen West, a former representative from Florida and a political commentator.

On social media, CAIR's partnership with the Census Bureau has been posted 678 times, including 560 times today and 321 times since 10:00am. The majority of these posts link to the Investigative Project on Terrorism's article published yesterday. [The Daily Wire's article](#) has been shared 38 times, including [19 retweets on a post](#) from the Daily Wire's account (320k followers). Former Rep. Allen West (758.5k followers) [tweeted](#) and linked to his blog post, which has generated 136 likes and 79 retweets. Michelle Malkin (17k followers), a conservative commentator, just [tweeted](#) about the subject 15 minutes ago and has garnered 102 retweets. Those accounts and the previously mentioned (b) (6) account (543k followers) are the handles with the most followers to post about this topic.

This topic has not generated much publicly accessible conversation on any channels outside of Twitter. A few smaller blogs have published articles about the partnership that have been shared fewer than five times on social media, including the [Jewish News Syndicate](#), the [Jewish Websight](#), and [America First News](#). The overall sentiment of social conversation continues to be critical or skeptical of the partnership.

Team Y&R will continue to monitor for resulting coverage, including a potential segment on this evening's Tucker Carlson Tonight.

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Subject: 8/30 Morning Update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 10:08:15 AM

Good morning,

Please see below for the full transcript from last night's [Tucker Carlson Tonight segment](#) about the cancelling of CAIR's partnership with the Census Bureau. While we have not seen any additional coverage about the decision to cancel the partnership, [The Jerusalem Post](#) and [WND](#), an online conservative news aggregator, reported on the initial partnership announcement.

Tucker Carlson: So back in 2009, Barack Obama's FBI announced that it was cutting ties with a group called the Council on Islamic-American Relations – that's an Islamic activist group. At the time, the FBI called them too extreme to work with. Watch.

Unnamed Reporter: CAIR was named as an unindicted co-conspirator in last year's terrorist funding trial involving a charity called the Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development. During that trial, it was revealed on government wiretaps that CAIR's executive director had taken part in early Hamas-related organizational meetings, held here in the United States.

Tucker Carlson: So, unindicted co-conspirator? CAIR was too radical for the Obama administration, and yet just the other day, CAIR pops up issuing a press release – in fact yesterday – announcing that they are partnering with the Census Bureau – the current Census Bureau – to promote participation in the 2020 Census. Now, CAIR's goal for the partnership is obvious and overtly political. They want to pressure the census to create a new ethnic category for people from the Middle East and North Africa.

So just in case you are scoring at home, here's the state of play. The census is not allowed to ask anyone in our country whether they are a citizen, but they are allowed to partner with a group described as an unindicted co-conspirator to push a political agenda. So, we brought this to the attention of the Commerce Department today, thank heaven it looks like they have reconsidered. They gave us a statement about an hour ago, we're quoting, "Based on further review, the Census Bureau is no longer partnering with CAIR." That is about as definitive and welcome a statement we should hope for, but it's another lesson, you have to pay really close attention to what's going on in the federal bureaucracy. And there's a lot going on in the federal bureaucracy.

Social Media

Since August 28, there have been 2,715 posts on social media about Census Bureau's partnership with CAIR, with 53% of those posts (1,427) coming since the last report was delivered at 4pm yesterday. Conversation volume peaked at 5pm yesterday [following a tweet](#) from conservative

blogger and commentator Michelle Malkin, who has 2.2 million followers. This post has received 940 retweets and is the most shared post about this topic; it quotes a post linking to the Investigative Project on Terrorism's article. The tweet also links to a post from April on michellemalkin.com with the headline "[Beware Soros-funded Hijacking of US Census.](#)"

Since 4pm yesterday, conservative author and political contributor (b) (6) [the other account](#) with more than 150,000 followers to post about this topic. Last night, congressman Chip Roy (TX-21) [quoted a tweet](#) linking to the Daily Wire story and added: "But at least DOJ walked away from citizenship on the census so we're getting double lunacy for our money!!" That post received 21 retweets. Rep. Roy appears to be the only national politician who has posted about this issue.

The [Fox News story](#) announcing the cessation of the partnership has been shared 363 times on social media. It does not appear to have been shared by any verified Twitter users at this point. A post on [Bare Naked Islam](#) has also been shared 17 times. The only other stories about the ending of the partnership that have been shared on social media are from [Patriotify](#) and [Donald J Trump Polls](#); neither of these blog posts has been shared more than five times. The conversation this morning is generally a mix of approval that the partnership is cancelled, as well as continuing to express disapproval for the partnership in general. (It's usually unclear whether users who are expressing disapproval are aware that the partnership has been cancelled.)

While the conversation available through social listening has predominantly taken place on Twitter, two Facebook posts have generated significant conversation. A [post on Ben Shapiro's page](#) linking to the Daily Wire story received 792 reactions, 172 comments, and 285 shares. A post on the [WND News](#) page linking to an article on wnd.com received 442 likes, 129 comments, and 221 shares.

Several articles were shared on smaller subreddit communities, but none generated much attention or more than a few comments.

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Date: Wednesday, September 04, 2019 10:55:04 AM

Updated text below:

[Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

The Associated Press – Mike Schneider, September 3

A partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and an Islamic civil rights group has ended just days after it was announced, following a backlash from conservative media.

The Department of Commerce — the agency that oversees the Census Bureau — confirmed to The Associated Press on Tuesday that the Council on American-Islamic Relations would no longer be a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census. Commerce Department spokesman Kevin Manning didn't publicly offer further details.

The Muslim civil rights group, commonly referred to as CAIR, announced the partnership last Wednesday.

A nonprofit group led by journalist Steven Emerson, who has a history of making anti-CAIR statements, wrote about the partnership after it was announced. The topic was then taken up by Fox News host Tucker Carlson on his show late last week. Carlson has been the target of a boycott effort by CAIR for what the group says has been a habit of anti-Muslim statements.

Carlson said on the show that CAIR had been an unindicted co-conspirator in a Texas terrorism case more than a decade ago. CAIR and other Muslim groups have long held they were smeared by the government in the case, and a federal appeals court agreed that parts of the government's case went too far. The Washington Post, in a 2011 story evaluating the accuracy of anti-CAIR claims by Republican congressmen, concluded, "The repeated references to CAIR being an 'unindicted co-conspirator' is one of those true facts that ultimately gives a false impression."

"So, just in case you're scoring at home, here's the state of play," Carlson said on last Thursday's show. "The census is not allowed to ask anyone in our country whether they're a citizen, but they are allowed to partner with a group described as an unindicted co-conspirator to push a political agenda. Huh." Carlson then said he had been told by Commerce Department officials that the partnership was over.

The Trump administration tried to get a citizenship question on the 2020 Census, but the question was nixed by the U.S. Supreme Court and then abandoned by President Donald Trump. Civil rights groups, including CAIR, opposed the question, saying it would have discouraged participation by minorities, primarily Hispanics, who tend to support Democrats.

Ahead of next spring's head count of every person in the U.S., the Census Bureau is aiming to have 300,000 local and regional partners who will reach into hard-to-count communities and encourage participation in the 2020 census. The Census Bureau has other partners that

represent the Muslim community.

“The Department of Commerce and the Census Bureau remain committed to reaching this and other communities to fulfill the Constitutional and civic responsibility of conducting a complete and accurate count,” Manning said in a statement.

The partnerships are crucial to the Census Bureau’s outreach and have been around for the past two decennial counts, said Kenneth Prewitt, who was a director of the Census Bureau in President Bill Clinton’s administration.

“The importance of the partners is really high,” Prewitt said. “The partners function as what we call ‘trusted voices.’ They know their neighborhood. They know their population group. We take the message to them and they take it to their constituents.”

CAIR said it would continue its effort to make sure the Muslim community participates in the decennial census.

“CAIR and the American Muslim community have been the target of Islamophobic smear campaigns for decades,” Robert McCaw, CAIR’s government affairs director, said in an email. “Despite this fact, we will continue our advocacy for justice and for inclusion of all Muslims in the 2020 Census.”

FYI: Hansi....

<https://twitter.com/hansilowang/status/1169008584086228992?s=20>

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Subject: AP: Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 4:41:16 PM

The first round, we can expect them to expand on the story with a quote from us as well as CAIR:

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By Mike Schneider | September 3, 2019

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Subject: CAIR Follow-up
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 10:12:15 AM

Greetings Ali,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with us last Friday and agreeing to look into the discussed items. We look forward to hearing back from you sometime this week and moving forward. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 4:18:17 PM

Good afternoon,

The Associated Press just published a [story](#) noting the brief partnership between Census Bureau and CAIR. The piece featured comments from a Department of Commerce spokesperson, who confirmed that CAIR “is no longer a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census,” and also noted Tucker Carlson’s segment about the partnership.

Full story below:

[Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

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Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 2:07:41 PM
Attachments: [npp Census General Do Not Buy List 3.6.19.pdf](#)
[CAIR 2010 Commitments.docx](#)
[2020 Census Faith Community FINAL.pdf](#)
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See various attachments, including our faith community fact sheet (it is posted to the web in English and Spanish), 2010 activities by CAIR, the do not buy document I referenced, and the spreadsheet.

I have attached the list of official faith partners (and pasted below) and others who are active participating organizations are in the spreadsheet.

Official faith community partners...

CityGate Network	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Episcopal Church	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Evangelical Lutheran Church	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
National Association of Evangelicals	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Network Lobby Catholic Advocates for Justice	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom (SOSS)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Universal Muslim Association of America (UMAA)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Council of American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Islamic Society of North America (ISNA)	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Christian Festival Association	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Islamic Relief USA	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Volunteers of America	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Muslims for Progressive Values (MPV)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner

We are refreshing the examples/activities document we shared earlier and will send that by 3p.

Also, as a reminder, the Secretary mailed to 127 national faith organizations in June. Organizations that have engaged from that outreach are reflected in the spreadsheet. But wanted to remind about that outreach activity.

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By Mike Schneider | September 3, 2019 4:01 PM

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Subject: CAIR National Partnership

Greetings Shagufta,

Council on American Islamic Relations-CAIR has agreed to become our national partner. I will be sending a separate email connecting the National Director for Government Affairs, CAIR.
Many thanks.

Kind regards,

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Subject: Re: CAIR National Partnership

Greetings Shagufta,

I agree with you regarding duplicate efforts on regional and national partnership efforts. Let's discuss this next week when you are back in the office regarding streamlining the national partnership process. Many thanks for all your support.

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Subject: Re: CAIR National Partnership

Thanks Tazeen. Basem Hassan, a member of our national partnership team, has been working with CAIR for the last couple months with respect to national partnerships. I would like to discuss next week how the region and national partnerships can work better to coordinate on these matters given that CAIR is a national organization. I am concerned our efforts are being duplicated and not well coordinated. I am out of the office today but can follow-up next week.

Basem -- can you follow-up with the folks that you have been working with regarding CAIR and their official partnership?

Best,

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Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:18:44 PM

FYi - CRM data is a mess. Alan and Tara are working to get a break out, though.

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The number for congress is not really 431, by a long shot. I have raised this issue with field before, but they still have not fixed this data quality issue. It makes we worry yet again that we have reported inflated numbers to leadership.

They have many congressmen or senators in there multiple times, because they are counting duplicates for each state or district office as a separate partner. That's the purposeful overcounting that could make a little sense since different district offices cover different areas.

However, there are what appear to be straight errors. For example, Rep. Biggs (AZ) is in there 8 times for what looks like the exact same office. Paul Ryan who is not in congress anymore is still in the list. And so on. The list is close to being such a mess that it's not very useful.

Alan is getting other staff to help get it de-duped and then will check numbers for D and R tallies for the topline numbers.

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Subject: Re: Urgent Check

Hi Zack,

Attached are the separate reports that reflect data for each of the following numbers (**# of total partners**) as of **01/01/2016**:

- **Faith Based Groups:** 4,229
- **Chamber of Commerce:** 5,264
- **Local Gov'ts:** 8,711
- **CCCs:** 4,715
- **Members of Congress (Federal):** 431

Below are the numbers that show totals in the entire system over time:

- **Faith Based Groups:** 49,024
- **Chamber of Commerce:** 12,950
- **Local Gov'ts:** 52,862
- **Members of Congress:** 2,066

Let us know if you need any additional filtering/info!

Thanks,

Laura

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Update below

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- How many Faith Based Groups
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Let us know if you need anything else!

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Hi Shagufta,

I think its fine to discuss the regional roadshow and gather information regarding what it entails. Once you have this information, I can relay it to the regions during our Monday bi-weekly calls. Please be specific in how you want the regions to activate this new partnership on the local level. Include ideas, suggestions, moreso a summarized action plan.

Thanks,

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On Aug 29, 2019, at 7:45 AM, Stephen L Buckner (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
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Thanks, we are looking into and monitoring. Meeting with Ali at 9 and will keep everyone posted.

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<https://www.investigativeproject.org/8045/breaking-news-cair-touts-partnership-with-census>

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To: [Burton H Reist \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Fw: NPP report and pivot table
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:06:17 AM
Attachments: [NPP Report 8.29.19.xlsx](#)

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Subject: NPP report and pivot table

Hi Anna and Robin,
I hope you both are doing well. Please see the attached NPP report. The first two tabs "count by organization reach" and "count by organization sector" are for the larger report. Based off of the updates I received from our team, I have included two potential partner blurbs to highlight in this week's report. SHPE is from Mary Anne and ELCA is from Kevin Quinley.

As of August 29, there are 364 National Participating Organizations, up from 345 last week.

****Two prospective partner blurbs****

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Thank you!

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From: [Steven Dillingham \(CENSUS/DEPDIR FED\)](#)
To: [Joe Semsar](#)
Cc: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Fw: Press release
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 11:19:53 AM

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From: Steven Dillingham (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED)
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 8:51 AM
To: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Subject: Re: Press release

thx. As thought, the press release references formal (v. informal) partnership with agency (v. decennial census activity - i.e., complete and accurate count), thus creating confusion.

From: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
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Subject: Press release

https://www.cair.com/cair_announces_formal_partnership_with_census_bureau_to_promote_u_s_2020_census

From: [Christine E Taylor \(CENSUS/PIO FED\)](#)
To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Burton H Reist \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Cc: [Michael C Cook \(CENSUS/PIO FED\)](#)
Subject: Fw: Request for comment
Date: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 1:49:15 PM

I wanted to make you aware of this request. We are reaching out to partnership to find out details and make them aware. I am available to discuss.

Chris

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Sent: Wednesday, August 28, 2019 1:13 PM
To: CLMSO CS PIO (CENSUS/CLMSO) <clmso.cs.pio@census.gov>
Subject: Request for comment

My name is Michael Fechter, editor at the [Investigative Project on Terrorism](#). The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) [just announced](#) that it is part of “a formal partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census.”

I’ll be publishing a story by the close of business today. Please provide answers to the following questions:

Do you have details about the nature of this partnership? What is CAIR’s role? Is the Bureau providing material to assist CAIR? What role does the Census Bureau play in the partnership? Is the Census Bureau aware of the FBI policy, in place since 2008, which limits non-investigative contact with CAIR?

Attached is a letter explaining the reasons behind the policy. CAIR, an FBI official wrote, is not “an appropriate liaison partner” due to unresolved questions about the organization and its leadership’s ties to a Hamas-support network. Is the Bureau aware of that history? If so, why is it comfortable partnering with CAIR when the FBI is not? If not, what is your reaction to it?

Thank you for your time and consideration. I can be reached via this email account or at (b) (6)

Regards,

Michael

From: [Manning, Kevin \(Federal\)](#)
To: [Glover, Rebecca \(Federal\)](#)
Cc: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: FW: Urgent Tucker Carlson Tonight inquiry about census/CAIR
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:27:49 AM

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From: Pfeiffer, Alex (b) (6) >
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:25 AM
To: DOC Public Affairs <PublicAffairs@doc.gov>
Subject: Urgent Tucker Carlson Tonight inquiry about census/CAIR

Hi -- The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) announced yesterday a "formal partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau" on the 2020 Census.

CAIR has previously been identified as a front group for radical organizations within the United States, according to FBI testimony. The organization's chairman emeritus was also named as an indicted co-conspirator in a trial related to Hamas funding. A 2009 FBI letter noted "until we can resolve whether there continues to be a connection between CAIR or its executives and HAMAS, the FBI does not view CAIR as an appropriate liaison partner."

CAIR also attacked the administration in March 2018 for having a "white supremacist agenda" for wanting the citizenship question on the Census, but now the Census bureau is working with CAIR.

Why did the Census Bureau decide to work with CAIR? And is CAIR being paid for this partnership?

Please get back to me by 4pm EST. Tucker plans on covering this story tonight for our viewers.

Regards,
Alex Pfeiffer
Investigative Producer
Tucker Carlson Tonight

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Subject: Fwd: CAIR Updated Call
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 12:53:01 PM
Attachments: [image001.png](#)

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Subject: CAIR Updated Call

Greetings All,

Is there a way we could set up a call to discuss current developments?

Thanks,

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Subject: Re: Samples of Partner PR Announcements / Call in #

Hi Robert

Thanks for the call earlier. This is the link to the 2020 Census Jobs page:

<https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>

One line about that in the PR would mean we've covered literally every base. Thanks!

basem

From: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>

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Subject: RE: Samples of Partner PR Announcements / Call in #

Thanks again, Basem. Looking forward to tomorrow's call. In the meantime, are you okay with CAIR issuing the following press release today?

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Subject: Samples of Partner PR Announcements / Call in #

Salam Robert

Below are some samples of announcements other organizations. I should be receiving a PR Template at some point that could be adapted but feel free to go ahead and adapt what's below instead of waiting.

Also, whenever you can I need a call-in number for Wednesday. JAK!

Basem Hassan

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Thanks, we are looking into and monitoring. Meeting with Ali at 9 and will keep everyone posted.

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Hansi Lo Wang ([@hansilowang](#))

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Subject: UPDATE: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership

Good afternoon,

The Daily Wire published an [article](#) about the CAIR partnership with Census and just posted the story to its [Twitter handle](#) moments ago. We'll continue to monitor for coverage and resulting social media traffic.

Thanks,
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Subject: RE: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership

Good afternoon,

A quick update. Jewish News Syndicate published an [article](#) 15 minutes ago about the CAIR-Census Bureau partnership. The story includes quotes from the press release and references the allegations surrounding CAIR.

We'll continue to monitor for coverage.

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Paul

[CAIR to help US Census Bureau incorporate Muslim participation in 2020 census](#)

Jewish News Syndicate – Staff Writer, August 29

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Good morning Jen and Zack,

Thus far, we have seen one blog post related to [yesterday's announcement](#) about the partnership between The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) and the Census Bureau. The [post](#) (see below for full-text) was published by The Investigative Project on

Terrorism, a blog by Steven Emerson, who is a national security analyst and pundit. In the post, Emerson references an alleged connection between CAIR's leadership and Hamas and notes that the partnership "raises questions about whether the Census Bureau has partnered with an organization deserving of its trust." He also [cites content](#) from a Census Bureau FAQ about religious data.

As of 10:50 am, there have been 378 posts on social media referring to the Census Bureau's partnership with CAIR with 76% of those posts (287 out of 378) occurring this morning. The most [shared post](#) is from @Imamofpeace, which has been shared 138 times and links to The Investigative Project on Terrorism blog post. That article is currently the only blog/article being shared on social media about this announcement, and it has been shared just under 300 times in total. The CAIR press release has been shared 11 times.

Thus far, (b) (6) is the only Twitter account with more than 60,000 followers to post about this topic. In general, social media posts are critical of the Census Bureau's partnership with CAIR and several posts have referred to CAIR as a terrorist organization. Currently, 98% of posts about this topic are on Twitter.

Team Y&R will continue to monitor for coverage.

Here's the full text of the blog post:

[Breaking News: CAIR Touts Partnership with Census Bureau](#)

IPT News – Steven Emerson, August 28, 2019

Federal law enforcement knows enough about the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) to order its agents not to engage with the group outside of criminal investigations. But despite that, the U.S. Census Bureau believes the conservative, Sunni-dominated Islamist organization is a trustworthy organization to partner with in next year's national population count.

"CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census," Executive Director Nihad Awad said in a CAIR news release. "Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs."

It isn't clear what CAIR or the Census Bureau will do as part of the partnership. The statement indicated CAIR will promote participation in the Census and advise people how to avoid scams. The Census Bureau did not respond to a request for comment.

"CAIR wants to ensure that that not only are American Muslim communities being fairly counted – but that their neighborhoods are getting a fair share in federal and state funding," the CAIR release said.

Internal documents seized by the FBI show that CAIR and its founders, Omar Ahmad and Nihad Awad, were deeply involved in a Hamas-support network in America created by the Muslim Brotherhood. A committee report described the group's mission as "defending the Islamic cause in Palestine and support for the emerging movement, the Hamas Movement."

Both Ahmad and Awad appear on the "Palestine Committee" telephone list (Ahmad is listed as "Omar Yehya"), and CAIR is listed on a meeting agenda which named the committee's branches.

"[U]ntil we can resolve whether there continues to be a connection between CAIR or its executives and HAMAS," a senior FBI official wrote in 2009, "the FBI does not view CAIR as an appropriate liaison partner."

The policy remains in effect a decade later. The FBI's conclusion was shared by federal prosecutors and a U.S. District Court judge who reviewed the evidence.

Records seized by the FBI "do create at least a prima facie case as to CAIR's involvement in a conspiracy to support Hamas," U.S. District Court Judge Jorge Solis wrote in 2009.

"CAIR," prosecutors wrote, "has been identified by the Government at trial as a participant in an ongoing and ultimately unlawful conspiracy to support a designated terrorist organization, a conspiracy from which CAIR never withdrew."

CAIR has never acknowledged its Palestine Committee connections or tried to argue that it moved away from that support. Its leaders refuse to condemn Hamas, often angrily. Awad continues to promote anti-Israel rhetoric, as in 2014, calling the Jewish state "the biggest threat to world peace and security."

Awad publicly expressed support for Hamas in 1994 – the year CAIR was founded – over the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In a 1998 speech, Awad openly referenced Jewish advisers in the Clinton administration as the driving force behind U.S. foreign policy: "Look at their names. Look at their ethnic, their ethnic or religious or racial background. You will see that these are the same groups that belong to the same interest groups in the (Clinton) Administration...they are the same people who are opposing the peace agreement (with Iraq)."

But aside from its roots in a Hamas-support network, CAIR has a history of grossly inflating the American Muslim population. It issued a report in 2001 claiming there were 6 million Muslims in the United States.

Six years later, however, the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press analyzed Census Bureau data to estimate "the total population of Muslims in the United States at 2.35 million."

CAIR's partnership is a problem, said Zuhdi Jasser, president of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy. But there's a deeper concern, which is found on the Census Bureau's website.

"The U.S. Census Bureau does not collect data on religious affiliation in its demographic surveys or decennial census. Public Law 94-521 prohibits us from asking a question on religious affiliation on a mandatory basis; in some person or household surveys, however, the U.S. Census Bureau may collect information about religious practices, on a voluntary basis."

Given that, Jasser asked, why is the Census Bureau partnering with a religious organization at all?

CAIR's announcement perpetuates a stereotype that Muslim Americans are not engaged in society. "It's counting all Americans as equals," Jasser said, "not as faith groups."

The notion that Muslims need to be encouraged to participate in the national census treats an entire population as "naïve immigrants," Jasser said. "They claim we're well-integrated. If that claim is true, why is this project necessary?"

It is important that Muslim Americans participate in the Census. CAIR's history, however, raises questions about whether the Census Bureau has partnered with an organization deserving of its trust.

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Hi Ali - for your review, thanks.

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FYI, 544k followers

<https://twitter.com/Imamofpeace/status/1167017982792351744>.

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CAIR has consistently denied any association with those groups or any other terrorist group, and there have not been any official legal proceedings in over 5 years. Past interactions between CAIR and the Department of Justice include:

- In 2007 CAIR was unindicted co-conspirator in *US V. Holy Land Foundation* (there were over 250 co-conspirators named), and the association was based on the attendance of Nihad Awad and Omar Ahmad at a meeting with Hamas leadership in 1993.
- Based on the trial, the FBI ended outreach activities with CAIR in 2008
- In 2009, CAIR petitioned the judge successfully to be removed from the co-conspirators list, with the judge finding that there was no supporting evidence to include them.
- In 2011, it was reported, but never confirmed that the DoJ declined to prosecute Omar Ahmad, who had left as CAIR's national chairman in 2005. *Politico* speculated at the time that the declination memo was spurred by the 5-year statute of limitations was about to expire. It was not reported what the potential indictment would have been for, outside of "terror financing".
- CAIR has maintained its 501 C3 non-profit tax status with the IRS.

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Inquiry this AM from Tucker Carlson Tonight..

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This is the messaging we have currently..

This is our boilerplate message.

We are developing a robust communications campaign and working with communities across the country to communicate that responding to the census is safe, easy, and important. We will spend \$500 million on marketing and advertising, up from \$376 million in 2010. The Census Bureau is also designing a robust outreach plan to engage and motivate the public to respond. These partnership staff are hired locally to engage with the communities we are working to reach, especially the hard-to-count population.

Recommended tweaks to address partnerships as a whole/added CAIR

The Census Bureau is developing a robust communications campaign and working with communities and organizations across the country, **like the Council on American-Islamic Relations**, to communicate that responding to the census is safe, easy, and important. Part of the outreach design is to engage trusted voices within population groups to motivate the

public to respond. The goal of the Census is to count everyone living in the U.S. once, only once and in the right place.

If Asked

The Council on American-Islamic Relations is not being paid for their partnership. (HAVE WE PAID FOR BOOTH SPACE AT A CONFERENCE?)

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Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 8:59:47 AM

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Subject: CAIR Partnership questions

Hi Robin and Anna - We got this request from the editor of editor at the [Investigative Project on Terrorism](#). Can either of you provide answers for the questions below?

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) [just announced](#) that it is part of “a formal partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census.”

I’ll be publishing a story by the close of business today. Please provide answers to the following questions:

Do you have details about the nature of this partnership? What is CAIR’s role? Is the Bureau providing material to assist CAIR? What role does the Census Bureau play in the partnership?

Is the Census Bureau aware of the FBI policy, in place since 2008, which limits non-investigative contact with CAIR?

Attached is a letter explaining the reasons behind the policy. CAIR, an FBI official wrote, is not “an appropriate liaison partner” due to unresolved questions about the organization and its

leadership's ties to a Hamas-support network. Is the Bureau aware of that history? If so, why is it comfortable partnering with CAIR when the FBI is not? If not, what is your reaction to it?

Thanks,
Dan

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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] After ZOA Complains, Census Bureau Ends Affiliation with Radical Muslim Group CAIR
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 4:47:32 PM

Good to know.

If you could share the link or just the text without the identifiers that might be good for the group.

On Aug 30, 2019, at 4:06 PM, Christopher J Stanley (CENSUS/OCIA FED) <christopher.j.stanley@census.gov> wrote:

This is not for the full group, but I will note for you that (b) (5)

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When the partnership was announced, ZOA proclaimed that CAIR was an unindicted co-conspirator in the Holy Land Foundation case, involved in funneling money to Hamas, and is a vicious antisemitic hate group. It would have been wrong and very inappropriate for the U.S. Census Bureau to formally partner with CAIR or any other group with terror connections, on any matter.

After the CAIR-U.S. Census partnership was announced, the press also quoted ZOA National President Morton Klein's previous statements that: “**CAIR has a long history of being a [vicious antisemitic](#) Israel-hating group.** They irrationally condemn the Jewish state, but never condemn the murderous actions of Hamas or Syria, or the Palestinian dictator and terrorist Abbas. By calling for the genocide of Israel, they join the moral horrors of the Nazis and Stalin, without their power, thank G-d.”

ZOA pointed out that if the U.S. Census Bureau is going to partner with a Muslim group, it should partner with a group that promotes American democratic ideals, such as Dr. Zuhdi Jasser's American-Islamic Forum for Democracy.

ZOA also raised First Amendment separation of church and state issues. CAIR had announced that its Census Bureau partnership would include working with local Islamic

centers. Prior Census Bureau faith campaigns directed at the Muslim community incorporated Quranic verses. The U.S. Government should not be involved in disseminating religious verses.

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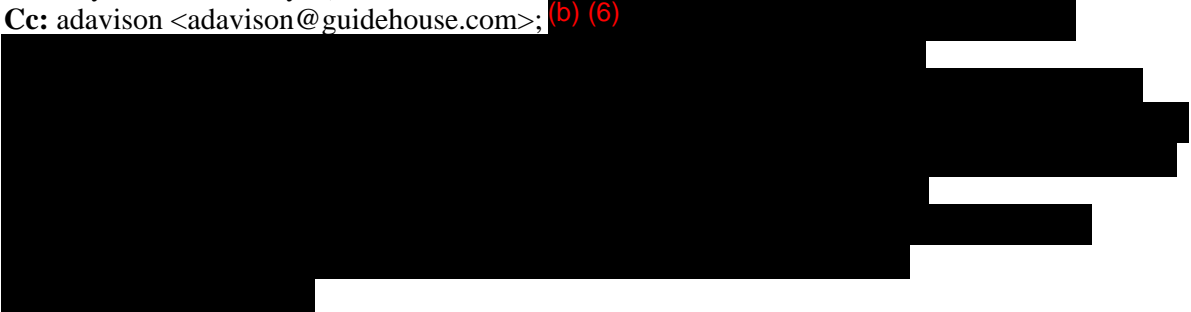
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Subject: RE: 8/30 Afternoon Update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 3:46:04 PM

Quick addendum: [WND](#) (World Net Daily), an online conservative news outlet, just posted a story about the decision to terminate the partnership. The story included CAIR's statement that was provided to Fox News.

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Subject: 8/30 Afternoon Update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership

Good afternoon,

Since last night's segment on Tucker Carlson Tonight and corresponding Fox News article, there has not been much traditional media coverage stemming from the now-cancelled partnership between the Census Bureau and CAIR. Conservative blogs [The Investigative Project on Terrorism](#), [The Old School Patriot](#), and the [Geller Report](#) each covered the termination of the partnership. [The Jerusalem Post](#) and [The Schpiel](#), a Jewish political blog, also reported on the partnership. Another Jewish blog, [The Algemeiner](#), reposted yesterday's Jewish News Service story about the partnership. As of this juncture, there have not been any stories critical of the decision to cancel the partnership.

As of 3 pm, there have been 2,782 posts today about the CAIR partnership on social media, which comprises 42% of all social media posts about the census today. This volume exceeds the 1,983

posts about this topic yesterday and 105 posts on Wednesday. 76% of today's posts have come since the last update at 9am, including the day's [most shared post from Dave Reaboi](#), which has received 788 retweets and links to the [Fox News article](#). That post was shared by (b) (6) whose 545,000 followers are the most of anyone who has posted about this topic today. Other conservative political contributors to share or post about the news include [Mike Cernovich](#), [Tina Stull](#), [Pamela Geller](#), and [Brigitte Gabriel](#).

The vast majority of posts – 98% -- continue to be on Twitter. There has not been any conversation on social media from people who are critical of the decision to end the partnership. Post volume about this topic increased by hour throughout the day, and has had consistent volume of about 400 posts per hour since 11:00am. The conversation about the CAIR partnership has comprised 54% of all census-related conversation on Twitter today.

The Fox News article has been included in a majority of the posts today and shared 1,836 times in total. A [post on gellerreport.com](#) has also been shared 94 times, largely due to retweets of Pamela Geller's post. The [Investigative Project on Terrorism's follow-up article](#) published today has been shared 46 times.

Team Y&R will send updates over the weekend if there are any new significant developments related to this topic.

Thanks,
Paul & Chris

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Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 10:40:39 AM

Rep Roy is ranking member of the Census subcommittee

On Aug 30, 2019, at 10:08 AM, Dubas, Paul <(b) (6)> wrote:

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Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 11:01:02 AM

Good morning,

The Investigative Project on Terrorism, the blog that originally posted about the CAIR-Census partnership, just [posted](#) about the cessation of the partnership and noted that the Department of Commerce confirmed its statement on Tucker Carlson last night to the Investigative Project on Terrorism. The post ended by stating, it may have come late, but the Census Bureau now seems to agree with the FBI. CAIR's record makes it difficult to see the group "as an appropriate liaison partner."

[Census Bureau Drops CAIR Partnership After IPT Report](#)

Investigative Project on Terrorism – Steven Emerson, August 30

The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) will not be an official partner with the U.S. Census Bureau for next year's national population count.

CAIR issued a statement Wednesday touting a formal partnership, which it said aimed "to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census and to better represent the most diverse Muslim population in the world."

The Investigative Project on Terrorism reported the news Wednesday afternoon, noting that federal law enforcement believes CAIR is not "an appropriate liaison partner" due to roots CAIR founders and the organization itself have in a Muslim Brotherhood Hamas-support network in the United States. The Census Bureau did not respond to a request for comment for that story.

Fox News host Tucker Carlson briefly spoke about the CAIR-Census Bureau partnership Thursday evening, saying a Commerce Department official told him that, "based on further review, the Census Bureau is no longer partnering with CAIR."

The Commerce Department confirmed the statement Friday morning.

CAIR was an unindicted co-conspirator in the 2008 Hamas-financing trial against the Texas-based Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development (HLF). HLF and five former officials were convicted of illegally routing \$12 million to Hamas, which the United States has designated as a terrorist organization.

Evidence in that trial largely came from communication among the conspirators that was intercepted by the FBI, and from internal correspondence and records seized via search warrants. It

is that evidence that prompted the FBI to cut off all non-investigative communication with CAIR in 2008, a policy that remains in effect.

The evidence shows that CAIR co-founder Omar Ahmad played a significant leadership role in the Muslim Brotherhood's "Palestine Committee." It also places co-founder Nihad Awad, the only executive director in CAIR's 25-year history, on a roster of a Palestine Committee members. He also participated in a secret, 1993 gathering of Hamas-supporters who wanted to undermine the U.S.-brokered Oslo Accords. The Accords including a Palestinian recognition of Israel's right to exist, and elevated the Fatah movement – Hamas's rival – to leadership in the newly-created Palestinian Authority.

Palestine Committee members opposed both elements which they saw as antithetical to Hamas ambitions. They were advised not to mention Hamas by name, though, encouraged instead to say "Samah," which is Hamas spelled backward.

FBI eavesdropping on the meeting showed that Awad dutifully followed directions:

"If there is a political issue, a Samah's input, for instance, about this or that, we inform people to contact their representatives," Awad said during the Philadelphia meeting.

Independent of court evidence, the FBI also spoke with eyewitnesses who placed CAIR's founding inside the Hamas-support effort, records obtained pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act show.

Evidence presented in the HLF prosecution prompted the presiding judge to find "at least a prima facie case as to CAIR's involvement in a conspiracy to support Hamas."

"CAIR," prosecutors wrote, "has been identified by the Government at trial as a participant in an ongoing and ultimately unlawful conspiracy to support a designated terrorist organization, a conspiracy from which CAIR never withdrew."

Meanwhile, CAIR has a history of inflating the Muslim-American population, claiming more than 6 million people in 2001, when a formal polling outlet placed the real number at less than half. Several CAIR leaders have made anti-Semitic statements.

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<https://www.foxnews.com/politics/census-bureau-abruptly-ends-just-announced-partnership-with-muslim-advocacy-group-cair>

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Hi - Like did wash ex do a write up? Or has the census gotten inquiries? I don't think so but wanted to double check

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Here is the write up from IPT:

<https://www.investigativeproject.org/8053/census-bureau-drops-cair-partnership-after-ipt>

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Here are a few others, from Daily Wire and Israel/Jewish news sources:

<https://www.jpost.com/American-Politics/US-Census-Bureau-partners-with-controversial-Muslim-group-report-600143>
<https://www.jns.org/cair-to-help-us-census-bureau-incorporate-muslim-participation-in-2020-census/>
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Subject: Re: Any stand alone stories on last night?
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 11:52:46 AM

Ah ok.

On: 30 August 2019 16:41,
"Manning, Kevin (Federal)" <KManning@doc.gov> wrote:

Here is the write up from IPT:

<https://www.investigativeproject.org/8053/census-bureau-drops-cair-partnership-after-ipt>

From: Schaffer, Ari (Federal) <ASchaffer@doc.gov>
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Subject: RE: Any stand alone stories on last night?
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 10:34:43 AM

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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Cc: [\(b\) \(6\)](#); [Robin J Bachman \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 10:25:39 AM

Is there a dial in?

On Sep 3, 2019, at 10:17 AM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

Adding Robin.

I forget if it was PIO or CNMP (Zack) that set up the Adcom Issues alias- but I want to reiterate my request that we go ahead and add Robin to it for the near future.

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From: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
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To: ADCOM Issues Working Group List [\(b\) \(6\)](#)
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To: [Burton H Reist \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 10:18:08 AM

I got her.

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Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 10:17:34 AM
To: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.

Cool. I'm sending your note to her now.

Burton Reist

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To: Burton H Reist (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <burton.h.reist@census.gov>
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.

Ah, jeez. I thought she was on the Issues list. I'll add her and remind PIO that I've asked her to be added for the duration of this particular issue.

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Okay to include Robin?

Burton Reist

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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); (b) (6)
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 11:52:30 AM

Hi! Not asking for edits, but here's some inclusive faith language (from our fact sheet) in case you need it...

Faith community partners—including religious denominations, faith communities, and national and regional faith-based organizations and institutions, governing bodies and councils, and local congregations and members—are important 2020 Census voices.

...we encourage you to join the 2020 Census [promotional weekend] in any way that resonates with your practice or tradition. Educate your congregants or members about the importance of completing the census...

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From: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 11:20 AM
To: ADCOM Issues Working Group List (b) (6); Robin J Bachman (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <robin.j.bachman@census.gov>
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry -- Let's meet in 8H144 at 10:25.

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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Steven Dillingham \(CENSUS/DEPDIR FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 10:42:44 AM

I'll try to finish up my 11AM meeting early.

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From: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 10:20:21 AM
To: Steven Dillingham (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <steven.dillingham@census.gov>; Ron S Jarmin (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <Ron.S.Jarmin@census.gov>
Subject: Fw: AP CAIR Inquiry

Director and Deputy Director-

FYI- DOC has a mainstream press inquiry. Comms team is meeting in 5 minutes and we are going to come up with a simple response to pitch to DOC.

We think this is an opportunity for DOC to really mitigate things.

Semsar has set up a call at DOC at 11:30 a.m. I'd like to come and huddle with you before that meeting. It might be helpful for you to join if you are free.

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To: [Semsar, Joseph \(Federal\)](#); [Dewhirst, David \(Federal\)](#); [Manning, Kevin \(Federal\)](#)
Cc: [Walsh, Michael \(Federal\)](#); [Glover, Rebecca \(Federal\)](#); [O'Connor, Kasey \(Federal\)](#)
Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 10:15:30 AM

Yes.

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Cc: Walsh, Michael (Federal) <MWalsh@doc.gov>; Glover, Rebecca (Federal) <RGlover@doc.gov>; O'Connor, Kasey (Federal) <KO'Connor@doc.gov>
Subject: RE: AP CAIR Inquiry

Happy to chat as well. Ali, can you do a call at 11am?

Joe Semsar

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Subject: Re: AP CAIR Inquiry

We should do a call about this. I think there's an oppty to do more. Have some intel from the organization in question and from a conference this weekend.

On Sep 3, 2019, at 9:37 AM, Manning, Kevin (Federal) <KManning@doc.gov> wrote:

I'm going to proceed with any questions we receive on CAIR with the statement from last week and a little off-the-record nudging unless y'all want to attack these differently.

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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Black Caucus Prebrief
Date: Wednesday, September 04, 2019 9:33:21 AM

Great. We are in the director's conf room

Sent from my iPhone

On Sep 4, 2019, at 9:23 AM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

Yeah. I'm coming to to the CBC.

On Sep 4, 2019, at 9:10 AM, Joske Bautista (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <jose.bautista@census.gov> wrote:

If you can join us the day we meet with the CBC then you should join us at 9:30. Otherwise, I think Stephen should be there today so we can strategize.

From: Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 4, 2019 9:07 AM
To: Joske Bautista (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <jose.bautista@census.gov>
Subject: Re: Black Caucus Prebrief

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On Sep 4, 2019, at 9:03 AM, Steven Dillingham (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <steven.dillingham@census.gov> wrote:

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From: [Shagufta Ahmed \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Cc: [Robin J Bachman \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: CAIR Updated Call
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 1:15:38 PM

Sounds good. I can step out whenever you need me.

On Aug 30, 2019, at 12:11 PM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

I'll link up with Robin shortly and then we can talk. And I think the 3 of us should call him back very soon

On Aug 30, 2019, at 12:53 PM, Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <shagufta.ahmed@census.gov> wrote:

Begin forwarded message:

From: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>
Date: August 30, 2019 at 11:51:29 AM CDT
To: "Hassan, Basem" (b) (6) >
Cc: "Sengphilom, Dan" <(b) (6)>, "Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)" <(b) (6)>
Subject: CAIR Updated Call

Greetings All,

Is there a way we could set up a call to discuss current developments?

Thanks,

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From: Hassan, Basem <Basem.Hassan@vmlyr.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 5:42 PM

To: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>

Cc: Sengphilom, Dan <(b) (6)>;

Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)

<shagufta.ahmed@census.gov>

Subject: Re: Samples of Partner PR Announcements / Call in #

Hi Robert

Thanks for the call earlier. This is the link to the 2020 Census Jobs page:

<https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>

One line about that in the PR would mean we've covered literally every base. Thanks!

basem

From: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 12:55 PM

To: "Hassan, Basem" <(b) (6)>

Cc: "Sengphilom, Dan" <(b) (6)>, ,

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Subject: RE: Samples of Partner PR Announcements / Call in #

Thanks again, Basem. Looking forward to tomorrow's call. In the meantime, are you okay with CAIR issuing the following press release today?

DRAFT

CAIR Announces Formal Partnership with Census Bureau to Promote U.S. 2020 Census

(WASHINGTON, D.C., 8/27/19) -- The Council on

American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, today announced a formal partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census and to better represent the most diverse Muslim population in the world.

"CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census," said **CAIR National Executive Director Nihad Awad**. "Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs."

CAIR and its national network of chapters plan to work with the Census Bureau and local Islamic centers to ensure a community-wide awareness about the 2020 Census and more accurate counts of the diverse racial, ethnic and ancestry characteristics that make up the American Muslim community.

The 2020 Census, conducted by the Census Bureau, counts every person living inside the United States and five U.S. territories once every 10 years. Information from Census Bureau data affects congressional representation and school district assignments.

SEE: United States Census 2020

<https://2020census.gov/en>

Census data also helps determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities in the form of public assistance like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), health, education, transportation, disaster recovery, and much more. Faith-based organizations and institutions can also use census data to apply for grants.

CAIR wants to ensure that not only are American Muslim communities being fairly counted – but that their

neighborhoods are getting a fair share in federal and state funding.

In addition to encouraging Muslims to participate, CAIR also plans to urge individuals of Middle Eastern or North African (MENA) heritage, regardless of religion, to participate in the 2020 census, so not only are they counted, but that their increased presence in the 2020 census compels the inclusion of the MENA category in the 2030 census.

CAIR will also be working with the Census Bureau to protect Muslim communities from becoming targets of fraud or scams. CAIR notes that the Census Bureau will never ask for your: Social Security number, bank account or credit card numbers, or money or donations.

In July, CAIR [welcomed](#) the Trump administration's decision to print 2020 census forms without a citizenship question following the U.S. Supreme Court's decision to block the question.

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Sent: Monday, August 26, 2019 9:36 AM

To: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>

Cc: Sengphilom, Dan <(b) (6)>;

Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)

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Cc: [Robin J Bachman \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: CAIR Updated Call
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 1:11:11 PM
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I'll link up with Robin shortly and then we can talk. And I think the 3 of us should call him back very soon

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>
Date: August 30, 2019 at 11:51:29 AM CDT
To: "Hassan, Basem" (b) (6)
Cc: "Sengphilom, Dan" (b) (6), "Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)" <shagufta.ahmed@census.gov>
Subject: CAIR Updated Call

Greetings All,

Is there a way we could set up a call to discuss current developments?

Thanks,

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Hi Robert

Thanks for the call earlier. This is the link to the 2020 Census Jobs page:

<https://2020census.gov/en/jobs>

One line about that in the PR would mean we've covered literally every base. Thanks!

basem

From: Robert McCaw <rmccaw@cair.com>

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 12:55 PM

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Thanks again, Basem. Looking forward to tomorrow's call. In the meantime, are you okay with CAIR issuing the following press release today?

DRAFT

CAIR Announces Formal Partnership with Census Bureau to Promote U.S. 2020 Census

(WASHINGTON, D.C., 8/27/19) -- The Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR), the nation's largest Muslim civil rights and advocacy organization, today announced a formal partnership with the U.S. Census Bureau to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census and to better represent the most diverse Muslim population in the world.

"CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census," said **CAIR National Executive Director Nihad Awad**. "Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs."

CAIR and its national network of chapters plan to work with the Census Bureau and local Islamic centers to ensure a community-wide awareness about the 2020 Census and more accurate counts of the diverse racial, ethnic and ancestry characteristics that make up the American Muslim community.

The 2020 Census, conducted by the Census Bureau, counts every person living inside the United States and five U.S. territories once every 10 years. Information from Census Bureau data affects congressional representation and school district assignments.

SEE: United States Census 2020

<https://2020census.gov/en>

Census data also helps determine how more than \$675 billion in federal funding is distributed to states and communities in the form of public assistance like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), health, education, transportation, disaster recovery, and much more. Faith-based organizations and institutions can also use census data to apply for grants.

CAIR wants to ensure that not only are American Muslim communities being fairly counted – but that their neighborhoods are getting a fair share in federal and state funding.

In addition to encouraging Muslims to participate, CAIR also plans to urge individuals of Middle Eastern or North African (MENA) heritage, regardless of religion, to participate in the 2020 census, so not only are they counted, but that their increased presence in the 2020 census compels the inclusion of the MENA category in the 2030 census.

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Subject: Re: Call in #, may we do a Census call?
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 2:14:56 PM

We will do the same.
Just a second.

Robin J. Bachman

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Cc: Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <shagufta.ahmed@census.gov>; Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov>
Subject: Re: Call in #, may we do a Census call?

Yes it would be great to call now, so I just dialed in?

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 30, 2019, at 2:11 PM, Robin J Bachman (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <robin.j.bachman@census.gov> wrote:

Hello Robert,
We are happy to talk. Would you like to talk now, or suggest a different time?

Here's a #:
Call in: (b) (6)

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Robin

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From: [Stephen L Buckner \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
To: [Ann E Davison: \(b\) \(6\)](#); [Robin J Bachman \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\): \(b\) \(6\)](#)
Subject: Re: Draft CXXR Q&As
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 1:35:49 PM
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How about (b) (5)

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Sent: Friday, August 30, 2019 12:28 PM
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Subject: Draft CXXR Q&As

For discussion, draft Q&As about the CXXR situation.

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Subject: Re: ESO Monitoring: Associated Press - Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 6:11:54 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-nzlxhvw](#)

FYI: Hansi....

<https://twitter.com/hansilowang/status/1169008584086228992?s=20>

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And here is the updated story:

[Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

The Associated Press – Mike Schneider, August 29

A partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and an Islamic civil rights group has ended just days after it was announced, a spokesman for the U.S. Department of Commerce said Tuesday.

The Department of Commerce — the agency that oversees the Census Bureau — confirmed to The Associated Press that the Council on American-Islamic Relations would no longer be a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census. Commerce Department spokesman Kevin Manning didn't publicly offer further details.

The Muslim civil rights group, commonly referred to as CAIR, announced the partnership last Wednesday.

A nonprofit group led by journalist Steven Emerson, who has a history of making anti-CAIR statements, wrote about the partnership after it was announced. The topic was then taken up by Fox News host Tucker Carlson on his show late last week. Carlson has been the target of a boycott effort by CAIR.

Carlson said on the show that CAIR had been an unindicted co-conspirator in a Texas terrorism case more than a decade ago. CAIR and other Muslim groups have long held they were smeared by the government in the case, and a federal appeals court agreed that parts of the government's case went too far. The Washington Post, in a 2011 story evaluating the accuracy of anti-CAIR claims by Republican congressmen, concluded, "The repeated references to CAIR being an 'unindicted co-conspirator' is one of those true facts that ultimately gives a false impression."

"So, just in case you're scoring at home, here's the state of play," Carlson said on last Thursday's show. "The Census is not allowed to ask anyone in our country whether they're a citizen, but they are allowed to partner with a group described as an unindicted co-conspirator to push a political agenda. Huh." Carlson then said he had been told by Commerce Department officials that the partnership was over.

The Trump administration tried to get a citizenship question on the 2020 Census, but the question was nixed by the U.S. Supreme Court and then abandoned by President Donald Trump. Civil rights groups, including CAIR, opposed the question, saying it would have discouraged participation by minorities, primarily Hispanics, who tend to support Democrats.

Ahead of next spring's head count every person in the U.S., the Census Bureau is aiming to have 300,000 local and regional partners who will reach into hard-to-count communities and encourage participation in the 2020 Census. The Census Bureau has other partners that represent the Muslim community.

CAIR said it would continue its effort to make sure the Muslim community participates in the decennial census.

"CAIR and the American Muslim community have been the target of Islamophobic smear campaigns for decades," Robert McCaw, CAIR's government affairs director, said in an email. "Despite this fact, we will continue our advocacy for justice and for inclusion of all Muslims in the 2020 Census."

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Sent: Tuesday, September 3, 2019 4:25 PM

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Subject: RE: ESO Monitoring: Associated Press - Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over

Thanks. We'll send the updated story once it has been posted.

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Subject: Re: ESO Monitoring: Associated Press - Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over

This will have update with statement from Commerce and CAIR

On Sep 3, 2019, at 4:18 PM, Dubas, Paul <(b) (6)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

The Associated Press just published a [story](#) noting the brief partnership between Census Bureau and CAIR. The piece featured comments from a Department of Commerce spokesperson, who confirmed that CAIR “is no longer a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census,” and also noted Tucker Carlson’s segment about the partnership.

Full story below:

[Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

The Associated Press – Mike Schneider, September 3

A partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and an Islamic civil rights group has ended days after it was announced.

A spokesman for the U.S. Department of Commerce — the agency that oversees the Census Bureau — confirmed to The Associated Press on Tuesday that the Council on American-Islamic Relations is no longer a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census. The spokesman didn’t publicly offer further details.

The group, commonly referred to as CAIR, announced the partnership last Wednesday.

After a nonprofit group with a history of making anti-CAIR statements wrote about the partnership, the topic was taken up by Fox News host Tucker Carlson on his show.

Carlson, who has been the target of a boycott effort by CAIR, criticized the partnership.

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Subject: RE: Evening update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the C--R and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 11:38:55 PM

Fox News published an online article following Tucker Carlson's segment and referenced the Commerce Department's statement that C--R is no longer partnering with the Census Bureau. The story also included C--R's statement, which is as follows:

"The Census Bureau, like C--R, is nonpartisan," the organization said. "C--R is not receiving any government funding as part of this project to promote Muslim participation in the U.S. census. We continue to believe that President Trump and his administration promote a white supremacist, anti-immigrant and Islamophobic agenda."

The story referenced comments from administration officials, who noted that the planned partnership "was to enhance outreach efforts to Muslims using C--R's network of local offices."

Here's the full text:

[Census Bureau abruptly ends just-announced partnership with Muslim advocacy group C--R](#)

Fox News – Greg Re, August 29

The Commerce Department on Thursday terminated its just-announced planned partnership with the nation's largest Muslim advocacy group, the Council--- Relations, after Fox News' "Tucker Carlson Tonight" asked the Trump administration about C--R's reported past links to the terrorist group Hamas.

"Based on further review, the Census Bureau is no longer partnering with C--R," the Commerce Department said in a statement to "Tucker."

The plan, according to administration officials, was to enhance outreach efforts to Muslims using C--R's network of local offices. The census, conducted once a decade, has been used not only to determine congressional apportionment, but also as a critical planning tool for state, local and federal agencies.

However, C--R and the Trump administration would have been strange bedfellows -- and tension in the relationship was evident earlier Thursday. Reached by Fox News prior to the Census Bureau's decision, C--R openly derided the Trump administration as "white supremacist" despite the partnership.

"The Census Bureau, like C--R, is nonpartisan," the organization said. "C--R is not receiving any government funding as part of this project to promote Muslim participation in the U.S. census. We

continue to believe that President Trump and his administration promote a white supremacist, anti-immigrant and Islamophobic agenda."

In its official statement on Wednesday announcing the partnership, however, C--R sounded a more positive note.

"CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census," Nihad Awad, CAIR's national executive director, said in a news release earlier on Thursday. "Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs."

The organization added: "C--R wants to ensure that not only are American Muslim communities being fairly counted, but that their neighbors are getting a fair share in federal and state funding."

In 2009, the FBI severed its once-close ties to C--R amid mounting evidence that the group had links to a support network for Hamas.

Local chapters of C--R were shunned in the wake of a 15-year FBI investigation that culminated in the conviction of Hamas fundraisers at a trial in which C--R itself was listed as an unindicted co-conspirator.

The U.S. government has designated Hamas as a terrorist organization.

The FBI previously had invited C--R to give training sessions for agents and used it as a liaison with the American Muslim community.

C--R's executive director, Nihad Awad, attended a post-Sept. 11 meeting with then-FBI Director Robert Mueller, and he met with other top brass as recently as 2006. That was before Awad was shown to have participated in planning meetings with the Holy Land Foundation, five officials of which were convicted in December of funneling \$12.4 million to Hamas.

Prosecutors identified C--R's chairman emeritus, Omar Ahmad, as an unindicted co-conspirator in that trial, and Special Agent Lara Burns testified that C--R was a front group for radical organizations operating in the U.S.

C--R denied it conspired in the case and has sued unsuccessfully to have its name removed from the list of co-conspirators. It also has protested the FBI's decision to sever relations.

"This is an unfortunate legacy of the Bush administration's misguided and counterproductive efforts to marginalize mainstream American Muslim organizations," C--R's national office said in a statement to Fox News at the time. "It is not surprising that we would be singled out by those in the previous administration who sought to prevent us from defending the civil rights of American Muslims."

In a statement on its website in May 2013, C--R similarly rejected suggestions it had links to terrorism.

"C--R is not is [sic] 'the Wahhabi lobby,' a 'front group for Hamas,' a 'fundraising arm for Hezbollah,' '...part of a wider conspiracy overseen by the Muslim Brotherhood...' or any of the other false and misleading associations our detractors seek to smear us with," the organization said. "That we stand accused of being both a 'fundraising arm of Hezbollah' and the 'Wahhabi lobby' is a significant point in demonstrating that our detractors are hurling slander, not fact. Hezbollah and the Salafi (Wahhabi) movement represent diametrically opposed ideologies."

"Tucker Carlson Tonight" investigative producer Alex Pfeiffer contributed to this report.

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Subject: Re: Evening update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the C--R and Census Bureau partnership

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Subject: Re: Evening update: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the C--R and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:06:20 PM

Rough transcript—

This transcript is extremely rough.

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Cc: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Christine E Taylor \(CENSUS/PIO FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Field Nationwide Partnership Call
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 1:40:27 PM

Agreed, thanks. I'll convey this to Field.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 29, 2019, at 1:31 PM, Jennifer Shopkorn (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <jennifer.shopkorn@census.gov> wrote:

I don't think so. We have names from the CRM of field staff who have local relationships. We can always reach out to just them if we need to.

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Cc: [Jennifer Shopkorn \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Christine E Taylor \(CENSUS/PIO FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Field Nationwide Partnership Call
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 1:41:59 PM

Concur no

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Cc: [Julie A Lam \(CENSUS/LA FED\)](#); [John R Magruder \(CENSUS/FLD FED\)](#); [James T Christy \(CENSUS/LA FED\)](#); [\(b\) \(6\)](#); [Timothy P Olson \(CENSUS/ADFO FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Follow-up CAIR News-Partners
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 6:31:16 PM

Thanks for the loop, Dale. If anything comes of any of this please let us know but it sounds benign.

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On Aug 30, 2019, at 18:25, Dale C Kelly (CENSUS/FLD FED) <Dale.C.Kelly@census.gov> wrote:

Julie, looping in the the right people via the email list.

On Aug 30, 2019, at 6:19 PM, Julie A Lam (CENSUS/LA FED) <julie.a.lam@2020census.gov> wrote:

Can you help me forward to the right people?

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From: "Michael A Hall (CENSUS/FLD FED)" <michael.a.hall@2020census.gov>
Date: August 30, 2019 at 3:00:43 PM PDT
To: "Julie A Lam (CENSUS/LA FED)" <julie.a.lam@2020census.gov>
Subject: Fw: Follow-up CAIR News-Partners

FYI

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From: Donald C Bendz (CENSUS/LA FED)

[<donald.c.bendz@2020census.gov>](mailto:donald.c.bendz@2020census.gov)

Sent: Friday, August 30, 2019 12:22 PM

To: Michael A Hall (CENSUS/FLD FED)

[<michael.a.hall@2020census.gov>](mailto:michael.a.hall@2020census.gov); Jeffrey C Enos

(CENSUS/LA FED) [<jeffrey.c.enos@2020census.gov>](mailto:jeffrey.c.enos@2020census.gov)

Subject: Fwd: Follow-up CAIR News-Partners

Please see a light inquiry of the CAIR story.

This did not yield an official response

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From: Peter A Griffith (CENSUS/LA FED)

[<peter.a.griffith@2020census.gov>](mailto:peter.a.griffith@2020census.gov)

Date: August 30, 2019 at 11:57:43 AM PDT

Subject: Follow-up CAIR News-Partners

To: Virginia Hyer (CENSUS/PIO FED)

<virginia.hyer@census.gov>

Cc: Donald C Bendz (CENSUS/LA FED)

<donald.c.bendz@2020census.gov>

Hi Virginia,

I spoke to the Partnership Specialist, Sharlette Poe, in Hawaii who brought the CAIR inquiry to my attention. It turns out that the two groups that asked her about the CAIR story -- (b) (6), (b) (5) (elders) -- were doing so informally (See email below.)

Sharlette has had a relationship with the groups prior to joining the Census but is now engaging them to become 2020 Census partners. So they are currently not formal collaborators.

Let me know if you need anything else on this.

Thanks,

Peter

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From: Sharlette L Poe (CENSUS/LA FED)
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Sent: Friday, August 30, 2019 11:24 AM
To: Peter A Griffith (CENSUS/LA FED)
<peter.a.griffith@2020census.gov>
Subject: Re: Census news

Aloha Peter,

As I explained on the phone both were (b) (5)

[REDACTED]

(b) (6), (b) (5)
[REDACTED]

I hope this helps.
Mahalo,
Shar

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On August 30, 2019 at 8:08:33 AM HST, Peter A Griffith
(CENSUS/LA FED) <peter.a.griffith@2020census.gov>
wrote:

Hi Shar,

Can you please let me know exactly which
partners inquired about the CAIR story? PIO
would like to know as they are tracking this issue.

Thanks,

Peter

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Subject: Re: From NPP re: the press inquiry
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 5:41:07 PM
Attachments: [npp Census General Do Not Buy List 3.6.19.pdf](#)
[CAIR 2010 Commitments.docx](#)
[2020 Census Faith Community FINAL.pdf](#)
(b) (5)
[examples Data Call August 2019 rev.docx](#)
(b) (5)

I've added the timeline, if there are things you think I missed, just let me know.
Thanks! Robin

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From: Robin J Bachman (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 2:57 PM
To: ADCOM Issues Working Group List (b) (6); Zachary Henry Schwartz (CENSUS/CNMP FED) <zachary.henry.schwartz@census.gov>; Shagufta Ahmed (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <shagufta.ahmed@census.gov>; Kendall B Johnson (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <kendall.b.johnson@census.gov>; Jennifer Shopkorn (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <jennifer.shopkorn@census.gov>; (b) (6); Ann Davison (b) (6)
Subject: Re: From NPP re: the press inquiry

We added some content to the activities document, is attached, these aren't all official partners, but are nice examples of our faith outreach

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See various attachments, including our faith community fact sheet (it is posted to the web in English and Spanish), 2010 activities by CAIR, the do not buy document I referenced, and the spreadsheet.

I have attached the list of official faith partners (and pasted below) and others who are active participating organizations are in the spreadsheet.

Official faith community partners...

CityGate Network
Episcopal Church

Faith-Based Organizations
Faith-Based Organizations

Official Partner
Official Partner

Evangelical Lutheran Church	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
National Association of Evangelicals	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Network Lobby Catholic Advocates for Justice	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Sisterhood of Salaam Shalom (SOSS)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Universal Muslim Association of America (UMAA)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Council of American-Islamic Relations (CAIR)	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Islamic Society of North America (ISNA)	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Christian Festival Association	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner
Islamic Relief USA	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Volunteers of America	Nonprofit	Official Partner
Muslims for Progressive Values (MPV)	Faith-Based Organizations	Official Partner

We are refreshing the examples/activities document we shared earlier and will send that by 3p.

Also, as a reminder, the Secretary mailed to 127 national faith organizations in June. Organizations that have engaged from that outreach are reflected in the spreadsheet. But wanted to remind about that outreach activity.

Robin

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Subject: Pieces for the noon

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Subject: Re: Fwd:
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:58:35 AM

We just convened crisis comms team and are working on this.

We have a major news inquiry

On Aug 29, 2019, at 9:17 AM, Albert E Fontenot (CENSUS/ADDC FED)
<Albert.E.Fontenot@census.gov> wrote:

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On Aug 29, 2019, at 7:45 AM, Stephen L Buckner (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
<Stephen.L.Buckner@census.gov> wrote:

Thanks, we are looking into and monitoring. Meeting with Ali at 9 and will keep everyone posted.

Stephen L. Buckner, Assistant Director

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Subject: Re: Fwd:
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 8:45:18 AM

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Subject: Re: FYI Facebook Live
Date: Saturday, August 31, 2019 7:19:25 PM

Very kind. Thank you.

On Aug 31, 2019, at 6:17 PM, Robin J Bachman (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
<robin.j.bachman@census.gov> wrote:

Phenomenal job, Ali!

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 31, 2019, at 6:51 PM, Robin J Bachman (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
<robin.j.bachman@census.gov> wrote:

Shagufta says Ali isn't on yet... (if you are like me watching the stream and wondering)

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 31, 2019, at 6:08 PM, Burton H Reist (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
<burton.h.reist@census.gov> wrote:

Likewise! Glad it's all going so well.

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wrote:

Thanks for the update. Glad it's good no well.

On Aug 31, 2019, at 4:19 PM, Jennifer Shopkorn
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Cool. Appreciate the update.

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On Aug 31, 2019, at 16:17, Ali Mohammad
Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
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None nor indirect and so far
it's only come up in one
meeting and the person hadn't
seen the news coverage after
the show on Thursday but also
would have a pretty measured
reaction (hard to say it would
be typical)

I'm going to swing by the
booth and get that intel

On Aug 31, 2019, at 3:14 PM,
Jennifer Shopkorn
(CENSUS/ADCOM FED)
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wrote:

Thanks for the
update. Interested
to hear your
thoughts re
misinfo from
others.

Any direct
questions for
Cathy re CAIR?

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wrote:

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Very kind. Thank you.

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Very interesting feedback

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By Steven Emerson | August 28, 2019

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Federal law enforcement [knows enough](#) about the Council on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) to [order its agents](#) not to engage with the group outside of criminal investigations. But despite that, the U.S. Census Bureau believes the conservative, Sunni-dominated Islamist organization is a trustworthy organization to partner with in next year's national population count.

"CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census," Executive Director Nihad Awad [said](#) in a CAIR news release. "Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs."

It isn't clear what CAIR or the Census Bureau will do as part of the partnership. The statement indicated CAIR will promote participation in the Census and advise people how to avoid scams. The Census Bureau did not respond to a request for comment.

"CAIR wants to ensure that that not only are American Muslim communities being fairly counted – but that their neighborhoods are getting a fair share in federal and state funding," the CAIR release [said](#).

Internal documents seized by the FBI show that CAIR and its founders, [Omar Ahmad](#) and [Nihad Awad](#), were deeply involved in a Hamas-support network in America created by the Muslim Brotherhood. A committee report [described the group's mission](#) as "defending the Islamic cause in Palestine and support for the emerging movement, the Hamas Movement."

Both Ahmad and Awad appear on the "Palestine Committee" [telephone list](#) (Ahmad is listed as "Omar Yehya"), and CAIR is listed on a [meeting agenda](#) which named the committee's branches.

"[U]ntil we can resolve whether there continues to be a connection between CAIR or its executives and HAMAS," a senior [FBI official wrote](#) in 2009, "the FBI does not view CAIR as an appropriate liaison partner."

The policy remains in effect a decade later. The FBI's conclusion was shared by federal prosecutors and a U.S. District Court judge who reviewed the evidence.

Records seized by the FBI "do create at least a prima facie case as to CAIR's involvement in a conspiracy to support Hamas," U.S. District Court Judge Jorge Solis [wrote](#) in 2009.

"CAIR," prosecutors [wrote](#), "has been identified by the Government at trial as a participant in an ongoing and ultimately unlawful conspiracy to support a designated terrorist organization, a conspiracy from which CAIR never withdrew."

CAIR has never acknowledged its Palestine Committee connections or tried to argue that it moved away from that support. Its leaders [refuse to condemn](#) Hamas, often [angrily](#). Awad continues to promote anti-Israel rhetoric, as in 2014, [calling the Jewish state](#) "the biggest threat to world peace and security."

Awad publicly [expressed support](#) for Hamas in 1994 – the year CAIR was founded – over the Palestine Liberation Organization.

In a 1998 speech, Awad openly referenced Jewish advisers in the Clinton administration as the driving force behind U.S. foreign policy: "Look at their names. Look at their ethnic, their ethnic or religious or racial background. You will see that these are the same groups that belong to the same interest groups in the (Clinton) Administration...they are the same people who are opposing the peace agreement (with Iraq)."

But aside from its roots in a Hamas-support network, CAIR has a history of grossly inflating the American Muslim population. It [issued a report](#) in 2001 claiming there were 6 million Muslims in the United States.

Six years later, however, the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press [analyzed Census Bureau data](#) to estimate "the total population of Muslims in the United States at 2.35 million." That number [increased](#) to 3.45 million people in 2017.

CAIR's partnership is a problem, said Zuhdi Jasser, president of the [American Islamic Forum for Democracy](#). But there's a deeper concern, which is [found](#) on the Census Bureau's website.

"The U.S. Census Bureau does not collect data on religious affiliation in its demographic surveys or decennial census. Public Law 94-521 prohibits us from asking a question on religious affiliation on a mandatory basis; in some person or household surveys, however, the U.S. Census Bureau may collect information about religious practices, on a voluntary basis."

Given that, Jasser asked, why is the Census Bureau partnering with a religious organization at all?

CAIR's announcement perpetuates a stereotype that Muslim Americans are not engaged in society. "It's counting all Americans as equals," Jasser said, "not as faith groups."

The notion that Muslims need to be encouraged to participate in the national census treats an entire population as "naïve immigrants," Jasser said. "They claim we're well-integrated. If that claim is true, why is this project necessary?"

It is important that Muslim Americans participate in the Census. CAIR's history, however, raises questions about whether the Census Bureau has partnered with an organization deserving of its

trust.

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Hi, PIO,

Can you confirm that the Council on American-Islamic Relations

(CAIR) is no longer a formal partner for the 2020 census?

If so, when and why did the partnership end?

Thank you,

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<ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

Per my earlier email we should let the department respond on this one.

On Sep 3, 2019, at 6:45 PM, Michael C Cook (CENSUS/PIO FED)
<Michael.C.Cook@census.gov> wrote:

FYSA—I'll send this to OPA stat.

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From: Hansi Wang <HWang@npr.org>
Date: September 3, 2019 at 4:25:42 PM EDT
To: "pio@census.gov" <pio@census.gov>
Subject: NPR re: CAIR partnership

Hi, PIO,

Can you confirm that the Council on American-Islamic Relations
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Subject: Re: NPR re: CAIR partnership
Date: Wednesday, September 04, 2019 5:21:21 PM

Appreciate it Michael!

Sent from my iPhone, apologies for brevity

On Sep 4, 2019, at 5:03 PM, Michael C Cook (CENSUS/PIO FED)
<Michael.C.Cook@census.gov> wrote:

Agreed

Just keep you looped

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From: [Steven Dillingham \(CENSUS/DEPDIR FED\)](#)
To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Partner as synonym of supporter - quick check
Date: Saturday, August 31, 2019 1:23:03 PM

Thx

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 30, 2019, at 2:49 PM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

Call with CAIR was productive- principally wanted to make sure they didn't just get prohibited from working with complete count committees at state and local and we clarified that those are efforts independent.

Can talk more later but need to update full comms team.

On Aug 30, 2019, at 2:45 PM, Steven Dillingham (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <steven.dillingham@census.gov> wrote:

Selected Definitions and Uses of “Partner” or “Partnership”

(According to various dictionaries, the terms above frequently are used synonymously with “supporter” or in the same context.)

Among the definitions:

- **One associated with another especially in an action:** e.g., [associate](#), [colleague](#) our military partners throughout the world (Merriam Webster) <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/partner>

[Merriam-Webster also lists “**partner**” and “**encourager**” as words *related to* “**supporter**”

- **One of two people who do something together or are *closely involved in some way*:** e.g., Children, hold your partner’s hand when you cross the street (Cambridge dictionary) <https://dictionary.cambridge.org/us/dictionary/english/partner>

- **1. Either of a pair of people engaged together in the same activity:** e.g.,

‘arrange the children in pairs so that each person has a partner’

‘the striker looked sharp and eager as Jackson's partner in attack’
‘she and her dance partner were on the show for seven weeks’

- 1.1 **A person or group that takes part with another or others in doing something:** e.g.,

‘he began to call potential coalition partners about forming a new government’

‘Scotland is the rest of the UK's second biggest trading partner’
(Oxford dictionaries)

<https://www.lexico.com/en/definition/partner>

[Thesaurus.com](https://www.thesaurus.com/browse/partner/3) lists “**supporter**” among synonyms for “**partner**”
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Synonyms of 'partner':

[*Explore 'partner' in the dictionary*](#)

1 (noun) in the sense of spouse. Definition: either member of a couple in a relationship; e.g.,

His partner has been an important source of support.

<https://www.collinsdictionary.com/us/dictionary/english-thesaurus/partner>

From: [Zachary Henry Schwartz \(CENSUS/CNMP FED\)](#)
To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Cc: [Stephen L Buckner \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Partners List
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 11:03:15 AM

Will do

**Regards,
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Deputy Division Chief
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<ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:

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On Aug 29, 2019, at 5:51 PM, Zachary Henry Schwartz (CENSUS/CNMP FED)
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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Cc: [Stephen L Buckner \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Partners List
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 12:54:27 PM
Attachments: (b) (5)

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Cc: [Stephen L Buckner \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Partners List
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 1:12:59 PM

I am not sure about that last one yet

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From: [Welch, Michael \(Federal\)](#)
To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Partnership List
Date: Friday, August 30, 2019 10:59:47 AM

can you clean it up as best you can and I'll buy some time? Thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 30, 2019, at 10:44 AM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:
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> This is not ready for public release.
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> 52K+ on the list actually. This is a close to live pull from the big database.
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> Haven't fixed CAIR status in it yet but that is underway. Would be a few hours to pull again.
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To: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Burton H Reist \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#); [Stephen L Buckner \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
Subject: Re: Pieces for the noon
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 12:00:46 PM
Attachments: (b) (5)

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Subject: Re: Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over
Date: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 6:31:00 PM

NPR also has several tweets. NPR also tweeting re: AL court filing.

On Sep 3, 2019, at 6:28 PM, Manning, Kevin (Federal) <KManning@doc.gov> wrote:

Updated:

[Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

A partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and an Islamic civil rights group has ended just days after it was announced, following a backlash from conservative media.

The Department of Commerce — the agency that oversees the Census Bureau — confirmed to The Associated Press on Tuesday that the Council on American-Islamic Relations would no longer be a formal partner in efforts to promote Muslim American participation in the 2020 Census. Commerce Department spokesman Kevin Manning didn't publicly offer further details.

The Muslim civil rights group, commonly referred to as CAIR, announced the partnership last Wednesday.

A nonprofit group led by journalist Steven Emerson, who has a history of making anti-CAIR statements, wrote about the partnership after it was announced. The topic was then taken up by Fox News host Tucker Carlson on his show late last week. Carlson has been the target of a boycott effort by CAIR for what the group says has been a habit of anti-Muslim statements.

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"The Department of Commerce and the Census Bureau remain committed to reaching this and other communities to fulfill the Constitutional and civic responsibility of conducting a complete and accurate count," Manning said in a statement.

The partnerships are crucial to the Census Bureau's outreach and have been around for the past two decennial counts, said Kenneth Prewitt, who was a director of the Census Bureau in President Bill Clinton's administration.

"The importance of the partners is really high," Prewitt said. "The partners function as what we call 'trusted voices.' They know their neighborhood. They know their population group. We take the message to them and they take it to their constituents."

CAIR said it would continue its effort to make sure the Muslim community participates in the decennial census.

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Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 5:36 PM

To: Semsar, Joseph (Federal) <JSemsar@doc.gov>; O'Connor, Kasey (Federal) <KO'Connor@doc.gov>; Hull, Cordell (Federal) <CHull@doc.gov>; Dewhirst, David (Federal) <DDewhirst@doc.gov>

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Subject: RE: Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over

Full text follows, I had to push the reporter to include our statement in an update:

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Subject: AP: Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over

The first round, we can expect them to expand on the story with a quote from us as well as CAIR:

[AP: Short-lived partnership between Census and Muslim group over](#)

By Mike Schneider | September 3, 2019

ORLANDO, Fla. — A partnership between the U.S. Census Bureau and an Islamic civil rights group has ended days after it was announced.

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Carlson, who has been the target of a boycott effort by CAIR, criticized the partnership.

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FYI, Cathy and I chatted quickly before her 8a, she was all set and appreciated the TPs.

Robin

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Cleaned up the transcript.

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Subject: Re: Tweet by Hansi Lo Wang on Twitter
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FYSA- he's sent an inquiry to us and I've looped DOC/OPA.

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Holding- let the department reply to HLW.

On Sep 3, 2019, at 6:06 PM, Ali Mohammad Ahmad (CENSUS/ADCOM FED) <ali.m.ahmad@census.gov> wrote:



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[9/3/19, 6:05 PM](#)

NEW: Commerce Dept has ended recently announced [#2020Census](#) partnership with the largest Muslim civil rights & advocacy organization in the U.S. -- the Council on American-Islamic Relations -- [@CAIRNational](#)'s government affairs director, [@RobertSMcCaw](#), confirms to [@NPR](#).

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Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:57:41 PM

Additionally, Allen West [posted](#) on his blog, The Old School Patriot, about the partnership and included content from the Investigative Project's [blog](#). At the end of his post, Allen West urged his readers to "demand that the US Census Bureau break any ties, relationships, and partnerships with CAIR."

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Janes please add to daily.

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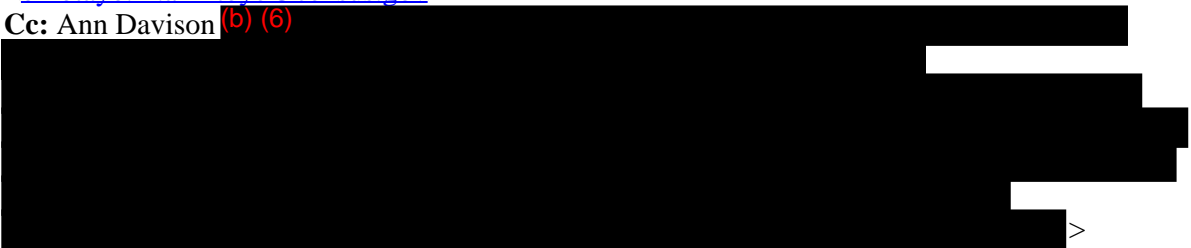
On Aug 29, 2019, at 3:36 PM, Dubas, Paul <(b) (6)> wrote:

Good afternoon,

The Daily Wire published an [article](#) about the CAIR partnership with Census and just posted the story to its [Twitter handle](#) moments ago. We'll continue to monitor for coverage and resulting social media traffic.

Thanks,
Paul

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Subject: RE: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership

Good afternoon,

A quick update. Jewish News Syndicate published an [article](#) 15 minutes ago about the CAIR-Census Bureau partnership. The story includes quotes from the press release and references the allegations surrounding CAIR.

We'll continue to monitor for coverage.

Thanks,
Paul

[CAIR to help US Census Bureau incorporate Muslim participation in 2020 census](#)

Jewish News Syndicate – Staff Writer, August 29

The Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR) announced on Wednesday that it will formally partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to promote American Muslim participation in the 2020 Census.

“CAIR is proud to partner with the U.S. Census Bureau to ensure American Muslims are fairly and accurately counted in the 2020 Census,” said CAIR national executive director Nihad Awad. “Full participation in the census ensures that American Muslims will be better represented in Congress, and that their communities receive an equal share in state and federal programs.”

CAIR and its national network of chapters will work with the bureau and local Islamic centers to

ensure community-wide awareness of the 2020 Census and gather a more accurate count of the diverse racial, ethnic and ancestry features that make up the American Muslim community.

The U.S. census is conducted once every decade and counts every person inside the United States. It is used for purposes such as determining the number of representatives each state has in the 435-member U.S. House of Representatives, as well as how much federal funding should be allocated to states and localities for infrastructure and other needs.

CAIR, however, is no stranger to controversy, including being an unindicted co-conspirator in the Holy Land Foundation terror case that proved connections to the terrorist group Hamas and other radical Islamic entities.

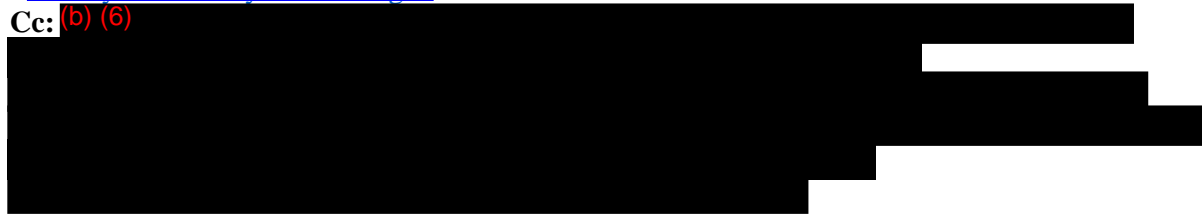
“CAIR has a long history of being a vicious anti-Semitic Israel-hating group. They irrationally condemn the Jewish state, but never condemn the murderous actions of Hamas or Syria, or the Palestinian dictator and terrorist Abbas,” Zionist Organization of America national president Mort Klein previously told JNS. “By calling for the genocide of Israel, they join the moral horrors of the Nazis and Stalin, without their power, thank G-d.”

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Subject: Re: UPDATE: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau partnership
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:38:06 PM

Janes please add to daily.

Regards,
Zack Schwartz
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301-763-6328

On Aug 29, 2019, at 3:36 PM, Dubas, Paul (b) (6) > wrote:

Good afternoon,

The Daily Wire published an [article](#) about the CAIR partnership with Census and just posted the story to its [Twitter handle](#) moments ago. We'll continue to monitor for coverage and resulting social media traffic.

Thanks,
Paul

From: Dubas, Paul
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 1:43 PM
To: 'jennifer.shopkorn@census.gov' <jennifer.shopkorn@census.gov>; 'Zachary Henry Schwartz (CENSUS/CNMP FED)' <zachary.henry.schwartz@census.gov>; 'Christine E Taylor (CENSUS/PIO FED)' <christine.e.taylor@census.gov>; 'James M Roberts (CENSUS/CNMP FED)' <james.m.roberts@census.gov>; 'Karen C Robinson (CENSUS/ADCOM FED)' <Karen.C.Robinson@census.gov>; 'Keith Patrick Oliver (CENSUS/DCMD CTR)' <keith.p.oliver@census.gov>; 'Virginia Hyer (CENSUS/PIO FED)' <virginia.hyer@census.gov>; 'Omotayo Musa Akintoye (CENSUS/DCEO CTR)' <omotayo.m.akintoye@census.gov>
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Subject: RE: ESO Monitoring: Coverage related to the CAIR and Census Bureau

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A quick update. Jewish News Syndicate published an [article](#) 15 minutes ago about the CAIR-Census Bureau partnership. The story includes quotes from the press release and references the allegations surrounding CAIR.

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Jewish News Syndicate – Staff Writer, August 29

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Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 11:22 AM

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To: [Manning, Kevin \(Federal\)](#)
Cc: [Glover, Rebecca \(Federal\)](#)
Subject: Re: Urgent Tucker Carlson Tonight inquiry about census/CAIR
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:33:28 AM

We are gathering info. Do you know Pfeiffer?

Bottom line:

No partner is being paid anything. Including Claire
We partner with everyone who wants to help.
Partnership means things like having someone from Census speak to your organization.

On Aug 29, 2019, at 10:27 AM, Manning, Kevin (Federal) <KManning@doc.gov> wrote:

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Tucker Carlson Tonight

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Subject: (b)
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Public Affairs Alliance of Iranian Americans (PAAIA)
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The Latino Coalition
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From: [Christine E Taylor \(CENSUS/PIO FED\)](#)
To: (b) (6)
Subject: Request for comment
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:34:43 AM

Received yesterday afternoon. We chose not to reply.

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Subject: SHAGUFTA # and I have 12 email threads I'll send you now in 12 emails re: CAIR
Date: Thursday, August 29, 2019 8:55:22 AM

c: (b) (6) Shagufta, (b) (6) but has been responsive this week, I think I have a home cell too, if we get stuck... but I'm going to start emailing now

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Census Bureau Mentions:

Peak: [5pm](#) with 1,060 mentions

[6:00 pm](#): 529

[7:00 pm](#): 463

[8:00 pm](#): 371

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[10:00 pm](#): 379

[11:00 pm](#): 383

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From: [Ali Mohammad Ahmad \(CENSUS/ADCOM FED\)](#)
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Subject: Transcript
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This is a rough transcript of what happened tonight. It was longer and talked about some of the organizations past-but this is the relevant part. Full transcript or a clip sent when avail

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Station: Fox News

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Tucker: CAIR pops up and announces in a press release the census are partnering with them to promote participation in the 2020 census... Here the census isn't allowed ask if you are a citizen but they're allowed to group with a partner like CAIR, an unindicted coconspirator to push political agenda. When we brought this to the attention of the Commerce Department, it reconsidered. They gave us this statement, "based on further review, the census bureau is no longer partnering with CAIR" That's about as welcome a response as we could help for...

From: [Christopher J Stanley \(CENSUS/OCIA FED\)](#)
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Subject: Zionist Organization statement
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<https://zoa.org/2019/08/10417364-after-zoa-complains-census-bureau-ends-affiliation-with-radical-muslim-group-cair/>

